

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 20-0542
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Henry, Dorsey

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Assigned to: Transportation Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Police Department, Fire Department, Baltimore Development Corporation, Baltimore City Parking Authority Board, Department of Transportation, Office of the Mayor

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Commercial Vehicle Parking – Clarification of Scope**

3 FOR the purpose of clarifying certain exceptions regarding the prohibitions set forth in Article 31
4 {“Transit and Traffic”} on commercial vehicles parking; deleting an unnecessary limitation;
5 conforming related provisions; and providing for a special effective date.

6 BY repealing and re-ordaining, with amendments

7 Article 31 - Transit and Traffic

8 Section(s) 6-26

9 Baltimore City Code

10 (Edition 2000)

11 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the
12 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

13 **Baltimore City Code**

14 **Article 31. Transit and Traffic**

15 **Subtitle 6. Parking, Standing, and Stopping Regulations**

16 ***Part 5. Commercial Vehicles and Trailers***

17 **§ 6-26. Commercial vehicles.**

18 [(a) “Commercial vehicle” limited.]

19 [In this section, “commercial vehicle” does not include a vehicle that:

20 (1) has a maximum gross vehicle weight of less than 7,000 pounds and a
21 manufacturer’s rated capacity of $\frac{3}{4}$ ton or less;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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1 (2) except for a passenger car (as defined in Maryland Vehicle Law § 11-144.1), has
2 no commercial advertising on the exterior of the vehicle or on any equipment
3 attached to the vehicle;

4 (3) is not visibly loaded with supplies or equipment; and

5 (4) is designed to carry 15 or fewer passengers.]

6 (A) [(b)] *Stopping by residence.*

7 (1) Except as otherwise specified in this section, no vehicle with a maximum gross
8 vehicle weight of more than 20,000 pounds and no commercial vehicle may park,
9 stand, or stop longer than 1 hour continuously on any street, lane, or alley in front of
10 or adjacent to any property used or intended to be used as a residence.

11 (2) This subsection does not apply to a commercial vehicle that is parked for the purpose
12 of doing any public or private work for or on behalf of any person located within a
13 radius of 1 block from the property used or intended to be used as a residence.

14 (B) [(c)] *Nighttime hours.*

15 Except as otherwise specified in this section, no vehicle with a maximum gross vehicle
16 weight of more than 20,000 pounds and no commercial vehicle may park, stand, or stop
17 longer than 1 hour continuously between the hours of 1 a.m. and 7 a.m. on any street,
18 lane, or alley of the City.

19 (C) [(d)] *Exceptions.*

20 This section does not apply to:

21 (1) vehicles of the Police Department or the Fire Department; [or]

22 (2) emergency vehicles belonging to:

23 (i) the City;

24 (ii) any public utility; or

25 (iii) any volunteer ambulance service[.];

26 (3) PRIVATE PASSENGER VEHICLES, INCLUDING AUTOMOBILES, MINIVANS, PASSENGER
27 VANS, STATION WAGONS, AND SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES;

28 (4) PICKUP TRUCKS; OR

29 (5) PANEL-BODY DELIVERY TRUCKS WITH LESS THAN 1,500 POUNDS (3/4 OF A TON)
30 MANUFACTURER'S RATING CAPACITY.

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1 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
2 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
3 Ordinance.

4 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the day it is
5 enacted.